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MEMORANDUM FOR DESC DIRECTORATES AND FIELD OFFICES

SUBJECT: DESC-BQ Quality Assurance Advisory 01-03, Changes in Status of Air Force Aerospace Fuels Laboratories

This Quality Assurance Advisory is being issued to inform DESC Field Offices of changes in the status of several Air Force Aerospace Fuels Laboratories in Conus. These changes, listed below, will impact testing under Into-Plane contracts, as currently referenced in MIL-STD-1548D, Commercial Storage contracts and surveillance testing of government-owned product at government facilities, as outlined in MIL-STD-3004. These changes will also likely impact the status of DESC's Laboratory Services contracts.

The above referenced changes are as follows:

- (a) As of May 1, 2003 the Aerospace Fuels Laboratory in Mukilteo, WA will be closed. Into-Plane samples should be sent to the Vandenberg AFB lab at the following address: Aerospace Fuels Laboratory, Det 3 WR-ALC/AFTLE, 1747 Utah Ave., Bldg. 6670, Vandenberg AFB, CA 93437-5220. This laboratory currently has limited testing capabilities, but is in the process of upgrading that capability to handle into-plane samples and other testing requirements. The Mukilteo lab will provide coverage until Vandenberg is fully operational, but until the transition is complete close coordination between the Contractors, QARs and labs will be necessary.
- (b) As of June 1, 2003 the Aerospace Fuels Laboratory at MacDill AFB, FL will be closed. Into-Plane samples should be sent to the Wright-Patterson AFB lab at the following address: Aerospace Fuels Laboratory, Det 3, WR-ALC/AFTLA, Bldg. 70, STE 01, 2430 C St., WPAFB, OH 45433-7632.

For Field Offices Only. Based on the above changes, recommend you consider, with the exception of Into-Plane testing, alternative laboratories that can be used to provide the needed services in a more timely manner. Government laboratories should still be used whenever possible, however, if there are issues regarding capability, reliability or timeliness, then DESC's commercial laboratory services contracts can be used. If it is anticipated that any of these labs will be used, then information regarding the no. of samples, scope of testing and product type should be forwarded to this office (POC: Eammon Knights, DESC-BQ, (703)767-8394 or DSN 427-8394).

If you have any questions, please contact Mike Shannon, DESC-BQ, at (703)767-8744, DSN 427-8744.

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